

**PATENT**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Thomas N. Horsky
Serial No.: 10/519,699
Filed: September 14, 2005
Title: Ion Implantation Device and a Method of
Semiconductor Manufacturing by the
Implantation of Boron Hydride Cluster Ions
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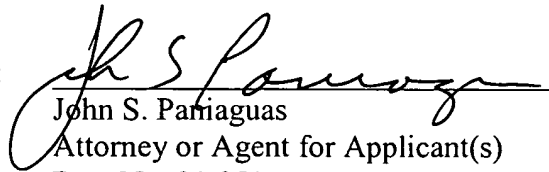
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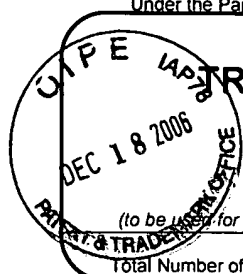
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
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Multiple dependent claims	360	180
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